

Abstract

Providing a reliable, durable external storage apparatus that is capable of disposing a sensor for fingerprint authentication on its surface of the housing with a simple structure.

With respect to a memory substrate 12 to be mounted a semiconductor memory 21, an image sensor 20 on which a sensing surface 20a is provided for fingerprint authentication is mounted at a surface on the opposite side to a surface where a connector 24 is mounted so as to dispose the image sensor 20 directly under a window 31. By adapting a structure such that a protective plate 13C of the substrate holder 13 is held by a holding section 58 in a vertical direction, the memory substrate 12 is protected from damages by external force acting on the substrate holder 13.